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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring Her Majesties Pleasure for the Distribution of Prize Goods taken at *Vigo*.

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WHereas it hath been Represented unto Us, That part of the Goods taken at Vigo, in the Ships of Our Enemies, by Our Men of War, have been Condemned and Adjudged as Lawful Prize, and Sold to the best Advantage, and the Produce thereof remains to be Disposed of: We do by this Our Royal Proclamation, by the Advice of Our Privy Council, Declare, That We have given Direction to Our Commissioners for Prizes, That, after Satisfying the Duties and Customs Payable to Us, accoraing to Our Declaration of the First of June last, For the Encouragements of Our Ships of War and Privateers, and the Legal and Necessary Expences thereupon, they forthwith Distribute and Pay One Half of the Neat Proceed thereof to the Flag-Officers, Captains, Officers, and Company of Our Ships Engaged, or Assisting in, or Present at the Taking of the same, in such manner as in and by Our said Declaration of the First of June last is Directed. And We are farther hereby Graciously Pleased to Declare, That Our Royal Intention is, That One half of all the Neat Proceed of all the rest of the Effects taken out of Our Enemies Ships at Vigo, shall be Paid and Distributed among all the Officers and Seamen Engaged in, or Assisting, or Present at the Taking of the same. And We have accordingly given Direction to Our Commissioners of the Prizes, for Paying and Distributing the same according to Our said Declaration; And that in the Distribution thereof, they take particular Care, That the Common Seamen have their just Proportions, accoraing to Our said Declaration. And We do hereby Require all the Commanders of Our Men of War, That they cause this Our Royal Proclamation to be Read publickly, and Affixed up in every of Our Ships of War, to the Intent that all the Officers and Seamen in Our Service, that are concerned, may have Notice of Our Royal Intentions herein, and may Authorize Persons on their Behalf to Receive their Shares of the said Prizes.

Given at Our Court at St. *James's* the Eighteenth Day of *February*, 1702. and in the First Year of Our Reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

Warsaw, Febr. 10. *N. S.* Yesterday a Detachment of 1200 *Swedish* Foot arrived here, who immediately took possession of the Castle and the Gates of this City, and demand of our Burghers a weekly Contribution of 2400 Florins for their Subsistence. We have an Account, That the Forces of the Crown, which for some time have been divided into several Factions, are at length, by the Care of the two Crown Generals, brought to unite in a Confederacy, never to abandon their lawful King *Augustus* II. but to venture their Lives and Fortunes for the Preservation of his Person, and of their Liberty and Religion; and it is believed the greatest part of the Republick will concur with them in this Resolution, and that this may promote a Peace in these Parts, which seems to be equally desired both by the Subjects of *Sweden* and those of *Poland*, who severely feel the deplorable Consequences of having their Countries the Seat of War.

Thorn, February 15. The King of *Poland* is now at *Marienbourg*; It is said he intends to go from thence into *Lithuania*, whither most of his *Saxon* Forces are marching, in order to join the Troops of that Duchy, which have declared for him. The Detachment of *Swedish* Forces commanded by General *Meydel* is advanced within 8 Leagues of this Place; In their March they surprised and took Prisoners the Weywode of *Culm's* Troop of Cuirassiers. General *Steynau* is gone from hence to *Saxony*, to raise a Regiment of Foot for the King's Service. Letters from *Warsaw* say, that of divers Senators summoned thither by the Cardinal Primate, in order to the holding of a Senate, none came but the Bishop of *Culm*; and that the Weywode of *Podlachia*, who had promised to be there, had since altered his Resolution.

Copenhagen, February 20. The King of *Denmark* has lately made a Draught out of his Militia, and formed it into a Regiment of Granadiers, which he reviewed on the 14th Instant, together with his Battalion of Foot Guards. The Duke of *Mecklenbourg Swerin*, with Prince *Christian* his Brother came hither last week, but the Duke has not yet appeared in any Publick Ceremony, by reason of some Dispute he has about Precedency with the Princes of the Blood. Three *Dutch* Men of War arrived some days since in the *Sound*, with a Fleet of Merchant Ships under their Convoy. It is reported, That the *Muscovites* have lately possessed themselves of *Juanogrod*, on the Borders of *Finland*.

Vienna, February 14. The Emperor's Ministers have frequent Meetings, to consult how the Army in *Italy* may be recruited and augmented, as well as how to carry on more effectually the Attacks against the Elector of *Bavaria*. A Courier arrived three Days ago from the Count *de Stirum*, who brought an Account, that the Imperial Forces under his Command had been joined by those of the Circle of *Franconia*, and by some other Troops, and that he was marching with them towards the Country of *Bavaria*. We have since received Advice of General *Schlick's* Arrival at *Lintz* on the 11th Instant, where he was drawing together into a Body the Forces that are to attack *Bavaria* on that side, and much is expected from him, who of all the Emperor's Generals is looked upon to have the greatest knowledge of that Country, Count *Solari* is also making Preparations to attack it on the side of *Tirol* with another Body of Imperial Troops. We have received Advice, that the Marshal *de Villars* has passed the *Rhine* at *Huningen* with a Body of Horse and Foot, with intent to make a Diversion in favour of the Elector of *Bavaria*, and that Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* was assembling the Confederate Forces in those Parts to prevent his Designs, and expected a Reinforcement of 10 or 12000 Men from the *Lower Rhine*. They write from *Constantinople*, that the new Vizier is laid aside, whose turbulent Spirit gave some uneasiness to this Court, as fearing he might at last be wrought upon by the Practices of the *French* Emissaries to engage his Master in a new War with the Empire, which would have suited with his Martial Inclinations. These Letters add, that the Grand Signior has appointed to be Vizier in his stead the *Reis Effendi*, or Secretary of State, who having been his First Ambassador and Plenipotentiary at the Treary of *Carlowitz*, will in all probability look upon himself to be under the greater Obligation of seing the Peace, in the making whereof he had so great a share, exactly observed.

Berlin, February 20. The King of *Prussia* is still at *Potsdam*, and with him the Prince and Princess of *Hesse-Cassel*, but they intend to go to morrow to *Oranienbourg*, and to continue there a few days. The Match between the Margrave of *Bareith* and the Duchess Dowager of *Courland* is concluded, and their Marriage will be solemnized in a few days. Letters from *Memel* of the 14th Instant say, the *Muscovite* Forces which are lately entered into *Lithuania* to join the *Saxon* and other Troops in that Country are 40000 strong, and are advancing towards *Poland*. We have received a List of the Prisoners taken by the *Muscovites* on New-year's-day, when they surprized and burnt the Suburbs of *Narva*, of which number there are 3 Colonels, 2 Majors, 18 Captains, 25 Lieutenants, 3 Coroners, 17 Ensigns, 1000 Soldiers, and a great number of other Persons of both Sexes.

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